

ACCOUNTANTS ELECT

THOMAS AS PRESIDENT

Richmond Man Honored by Virginia Society at Annual Meeting Held Yesterday.

O. H. SANDS MAKES ADDRESS

Alexander Forward and Dr. J. A. C. Chandler Guests at Dinner—Arrangements Made to Take Part in Convention in Washington.

Major William McK. Evans, of Richmond, was elected president of the Virginia Society of Public Accountants at the annual meeting, which was held yesterday at the Jefferson Hotel. Other officers named were as follows:

Vice-President, A. T. Henderson, of Lynchburg; secretary, W. T. Tollett, of Norfolk; and treasurer, A. M. Pulley, of Richmond.

The meeting opened at 3:30 o'clock, and after considerable routine work was disposed of plans to participate in the annual convention of the American Association of Public Accountants, which opens on Monday in Washington, were completed. The Virginia and Maryland accountants will act as hosts of the delegates to the national meeting.

A. H. Sands, of the State Board of Accountancy, made an address of professional interest, and was tendered a rising vote of thanks for the manner in which he presented his subject.

The annual dinner, held last night at the Jefferson, closed the meeting. Alexander Forward, private secretary to Governor Stuart, and Dr. J. A. C. Chandler, superintendent of schools, and also a member of the State Board of Accountancy, were guests of the members.

The members attending the meeting were as follows:

H. B. Boudar, A. M. Puller, E. A. Litch, W. McK. Evans, G. B. Wilson and W. H. Deane, Jr., of Richmond; T. Henderson, of Lynchburg; A. T. Tollett, of Norfolk; G. L. Whitcomb, W. P. Hilton, A. Lee Rawlings and W. R. Tollett, of Norfolk.

W. P. Hilton and A. Lee Rawlings, of Norfolk, were elected as delegate and alternate, respectively, to the national convention.

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

OPENS HERE IN NOVEMBER

Executive Committee Meets in Office of Superintendent Stearnes to

Annual sessions of the Virginia Educational Conference will be held in Richmond this fall on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Thanksgiving week, and it is expected that approximately 2,000 prominent educators will attend. The conference, which is composed of the State Teachers' Association, the Co-Operative Educational Association, School Trustees' Association and Conference of Division Superintendents, met last year in Lynchburg and the year before in Richmond.

A meeting of the executive committee of the conference was held yesterday afternoon in the office of R. C. Stearnes, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, when plans for the coming year's gathering were discussed. The meeting was attended by Superintendent Stearnes, President E. H. Russell, J. H. Binford, secretary of the Co-Operative Educational Association, Edgar Woolfolk, secretary of the State Teachers' Association, N. E. Clement, president of the School Trustees' Association, M. F. McGehee, secretary of the School Trustees' Association, and Arthur D. Wright, secretary of the Division Superintendents' Association.

Officers of the executive committee were elected as follows: president, N. E. Clement, of Chatham; vice-president, J. H. Binford, of Richmond; secretary, Arthur D. Wright, superintendent of schools in Henric County. The local committee on arrangements will be appointed within the next few days.

MISS THORPE'S CONDITION

IS CONSIDERED SERIOUS

Girl Injured in Automobile Accident With Lee Kidd Is Still Unconscious.

Yet unconscious as a result of injuries received when Lee Kidd's automobile crashed into a taxicab of the Richmond Transfer Company at Belvidere and Grace Streets about 1 o'clock Friday morning, Miss Pauline V. Thorpe, 1625 South Randolph Street, was early this morning reported in a serious condition at Virginia Hospital.

The young woman suffered a fracture of the brain, broken nose and two fractures of the lower jaw. Surgeons who are attending her believe her chances for recovery slight. She was found in the front yard of 612 West Grace Street lying in a pool of blood. Kidd admitted to the police that he deposited her there and left her while he proceeded to the St. Julian hotel, where he had the several open wounds he had suffered treated.

Kidd was arrested shortly after the accident by Sergeant Johnson, charged with recklessly driving his machine through the city streets. An additional warrant charging him with being a suspicious character, and a boy named John Wiley had investigated the case. He was admitted to \$1,000 bail for his appearance in Police Court on the morning of September 26.

ARREST SALOON-KEEPER

Hugh McGuire Alleged to Have Sold Liquor to Minor.

Hugh McGuire, a saloon-keeper of 323 Williamsburg Avenue, Fulton, was last night arrested on a warrant charging him with selling intoxicating liquors to Robert E. Hicks, a boy nineteen years old. McGuire was taken to the police station in Police Court on the morning of September 26.

NEW EXPLOSIVE TRIED OUT

Torpedo Sinks Steel Cannon, Made to Represent Battleship.

NORFOLK, September 12.—A torpedo fired from a large naval gun yesterday, sank a steel cannon, made to represent a battleship. The cannon was protected with the same kind of armor used in the construction of the latest type of battleships, and the torpedo contained a new explosive that the Navy Department believed would be effective in sinking a few miles.

Adolph Hutzler, thirty years old, was yesterday arrested on a warrant charging him with assaulting Lawrence Eyle. The charge was made by a policeman Tignor.

MISSING WIFE OBJECT

OF SEARCH BY POLICE

C. T. Woodley, of Newport News, Asks Aid in Effort to Find Her.

NOT SEEN SINCE AUGUST 21

Said She Was Going to Ocean View to Meet Friends From Richmond. Besides Husband, Two Small Children Await Her.



Mrs. Lucetta Woodley

Mrs. Lucetta Woodley, thirty-three years old, formerly of Richmond, but whose home is now at 1103 Washington Street, Portsmouth, has been missing since August 21, according to a report made to the police yesterday by her husband, C. T. Woodley. Mr. Woodley came to Richmond and, after narrating the circumstances he knew surrounding the disappearance of his wife, placed the case in the hands of Captain McMahon and asked him to use every endeavor possible to find Mrs. Woodley. Besides her husband, two little children are awaiting the return of their mother and crying for her during her long absence. Mr. Woodley is almost prostrated. He had used all means in his own power to find his wife before calling in the aid of the police.

Mrs. Woodley disappeared on August 21, when she left her home stating that she was going to Ocean View to meet some friends from Richmond. Since that day she has neither been seen nor heard from, and her husband has no idea whether she has met with foul play or with an accident. He can assure no reason why she should absent herself from home and children of her own volition.

Mrs. Woodley is five feet three inches tall and weighs 165 pounds. She is of medium complexion, has black hair and blue eyes. She is dressed in a black and white dress, a white hat and black shoes. A description of the missing woman will be sent through the State and every man on the police force in Richmond will be on the lookout for her. The police were also asked yesterday to institute search for L. H. Flowers, 52 North Twenty-eighth Street, who was reported as having been missing from his home since August 5. No description of him was furnished.

ELCOCK STARTS GENERALS

TO PRACTICE WEDNESDAY

Probably Busiest Season in History of Football in Washington and

LEXINGTON, Va., September 12.—One of the busiest seasons—probably the busiest season—is at hand for Washington and Lee's athletes. The football team will begin practice Wednesday under the direction of the new coach, W. B. Elcock, before whom lies the hard task of developing an eleven that can go through the season without a defeat. Last fall the Generals downed every team they met until Thanksgiving Day, and then succumbed to A. & M. of North Carolina, that reverse hurting the team. Coach Elcock, who is a graduate of Dartmouth and who was one of Walter Camp's selections as an All-American tackle a few years ago, has not stated publicly that he can give Washington and Lee what it desires, but intimates privately last fall, after inspecting the Generals' gridiron material, that it was of championship grade. The new coach, who coached Washington and Lee last fall, is showing how the cost of living has gone up. It is said that Elcock's remuneration per month is as large as was the pioneer coach's remuneration per season.

The footballists are not the only ones who will put to work. The basketball men will get into action almost immediately under the direction of another new coach, Forest Fletcher, Notre Dame graduate and member of the Olympic team which represented the United States at Stockholm in 1912. A full handicap meet, to bring out new material, is planned for early next month, the date not having yet been decided on. By New Year's it is hoped that Washington and Lee's new \$75,000 gymnasium, the gift of Mrs. Robert Parker Dore, of New York, will be ready for the use of Fletcher's charges.

The baseball men, who are promised a longer and better schedule next year, are going to do some work this fall. The baseball team, which will be their instructor in 1915, in all probability, though there is a distinct feeling that from among Washington and Lee's graduates a good coach could be selected. Professional coaches for the baseballists were first engaged eleven years ago.

Northerners have helped greatly in Washington and Lee's athletic development. Dr. John W. H. Pollard, who is in charge of the department of physical education and under whose direction the new gym is being erected, is a graduate of Dartmouth, and he has made things move since coming to Lexington. It was one of his ideas for the Generals annually to have an interscholastic track and field meet, and this has been put through twice. The last time was the financial help of the generous alumni in Birmingham, Ala., and the first time with the monetary assistance of the members of the Washington and Lee Alumni Society, Inc. The schoolboys again will have a meet in Lexington next spring.

Dr. Pollard has coached the basketballers every fall, the team he developed in 1912 being the champion of the South Atlantic Division. Basketball as a sport only is seven years old here. As Charles Hercules Ebbs, who would say, "It is in its infancy."

Accused of Stealing \$1.

The alleged theft of a dollar last night led to the arrest of Isaac Autem by Patrolman Matt. Autem is said to have taken the money from Edmund Garnett.

FIRM AND DRY FOOTING

AT STATE FAIR GROUNDS

Walkways and Roads Have Been Completely Remade for Exposition Next Month.

BIG FORCE OF WORKMEN BUSY

Show of 1914 Opens Three Weeks From To-Morrow—Railways Offer Low Round-Trip Rates to Richmond—Expect Many Visitors.

Walkways and roads at the State Fair Grounds, in anticipation of the annual exposition which opens next month, have been completely remade, and it is expected that the ground will be firm and dry going underfoot, no matter what condition overhead. Announcement to this effect was made yesterday by the superintendent of the fair grounds and it will, no doubt, be received with approval and appreciation by patrons of the big show.

For several weeks a large force of workmen have been busy on the grounds and buildings in the large inclosure. Tons of gravel and cement and have been spread as a dressing on the walks and roads, after the latter had been properly prepared. About six inches of the top layer of earth was removed, leaving a hard surface to receive the gravel and cement. This top surface was converted into a sea of mud by a downpour of rain. This improvement is expected to add a great deal to the comfort of visitors.

THREE WEEKS FROM

TO-MORROW FAIR OPENS

Three weeks from to-morrow morning, rain or shine, the gates of the annual exposition will be thrown open to the public, and the 1914 fair will be formally opened. The show will close on Saturday midnight, October 10. The fair is the largest and most important of the fair association, which has been augmented recently by many clerks, is working under high pressure now, disposing of the flood of entry blanks, concession applications, and other matters which have been pouring in for the last few days. From this time forward the work may be expected to increase by leaps and bounds. Many people desire to enter the fair, but the gates will not be opened until the last moment, but already there have been received many fine entries of stock and farm products. Racing entries are being received, and the racing stewards' committee expect that the six-day meeting will prove popular.

Railways are offering low round-trip tickets to Richmond during Fair Week, and reports from various sections of the State indicate that the flood of out-of-town visitors will be heavier this year than usual.

Great care has been exercised by the board of directors in granting concessions and securing attractions for the fair. The board has secured a number of interesting and wholesome attractions exclusively.

SEVENTY-FIVE CADETS ARE

TRYING TO MAKE ELEVEN

Coach Gordon Will Begin Thinning Out Candidates This Week—First Series of Trials Will Be Held Wednesday.

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With but four days' practice to their credit and only a few days' training, the new men are a little green, but they are showing excellent form. The first series of trials will be held on Wednesday, and it is expected that the squad will be made out at that day. The coaches get to work next Wednesday, and it is expected that the squad will be made out at that day. The coaches get to work next Wednesday, and it is expected that the squad will be made out at that day.

GEORGETOWN'S CANDIDATES

HAVE INITIAL WORKOUT

Coach Exendine, Former Carlisle Star, Has Splendid Material From Which to Pick Eleven.

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 12.—The Georgetown University football team had its initial workout last Thursday, and was sent through the usual preliminary work by Coach Exendine. The prospects are very bright for one of the most successful teams that Georgetown has had in years. Despite the fact that the college has not yet opened, and that the season is from which the bulk of the material is drawn, does not open until October 1, a squad of about forty-five men have been selected. The material is more experienced-looking than at this time in former years, and a trifle heavier than usual.

The schedule this year contains games with Navy, Pittsburgh, A. & M. of North Carolina and Washington and Jefferson. It is evident that hard work must be put on the part of the team, for the coach started out with an eye on the team this year has been very fortunate in having for coach Exendine, one of the greatest football players ever turned out at Carlisle, who has been coaching for the past four or five years and a firm follower of the methods of the great football mentor.

With the material at hand and such an experienced staff of coaches as Georgetown has this year, nothing but a great football season can be expected.

AMERICAN FLAGS SAVE

DURBAR AND SHANNON

Thoughtfulness of American Negro Cartographer Aids in Getting Racers Out of a Tight Place.

LONDON, September 12.—Herman B. Durbar, the American turfman, was advised today that Durbar II, this year's Epsom Derby winner, and Shannon, the winner of several French races, are in danger of being captured. The American flags saved the horses when near Chantilly, twenty-three miles northeast of Paris, wrapped in American flags about the horses and fastened to Durbar II, a banner reading: "This is Durbar II, the English Derby winner. He is neutral."

The horses were permitted to leave the army lines without interference.

SOUTH RICHMOND

PICKING BRAWLS CROWD

DESPITE WET WEATHER

Daughters of Confederacy and Veterans Unite in Event at Chesterfield Courthouse.

ELKHART SCHOOL DEDICATED

Four Bibles and American Flag Presented on Behalf of Liberty Council, J. O. U. A. M.—Special Services To-Day in Southside Churches.

With a large crowd present, the annual picnic held yesterday at Chesterfield Courthouse under the auspices of Chesterfield Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, and W. B. Woodliffe Camp, United Confederate Veterans, proved one of the most successful affairs in the history of the organizations. The inclement weather did not interfere with the exercises, and both veterans and visitors enjoyed a delightful time.

W. W. Baker, of Chesterfield County, introduced Rev. Lewis Gibbs, who delivered the invocation, after which General J. Thompson Brown introduced the dedicatory address. Judge D. C. Richardson, who made a splendid address, which was liberally applauded. Brigadier-General Freeman explained the purpose of the dedication of the school, and the school was dedicated to the memory of the fallen soldiers.

A steady downpour of rain did not prevent the exercises at the dedication of the new Elkhart School. The school was dedicated to the memory of the fallen soldiers, and the school was dedicated to the memory of the fallen soldiers.

The program was opened with the school children singing "America" and "The Flag of the Free." Thomas B. Ivey, State secretary of the lodge, presented the flag, which was received by ex-Governor William Hodges. The band was led by Rev. E. P. Loving, Jr., J. G. Loving presided at the exercises, which were closed with prayer by Rev. E. T. Smith and the singing of "The Doxology."

To-Day in the Churches.

Rev. Wesley Baker will preach a special sermon to all young people attending school, at the evening service in Porter Street Presbyterian Church, the subject being "Starting to School, or the Beginning of a Career." Mr. Baker will preach this morning on "A New Freedom." On the first Sunday in October Porter Street, Fifth Street and Woodland Heights Sunday Schools will hold a grand rally.

"The All-Sufficient Reason and the Unanswerable Argument for State-wide Prohibition" will be the subject of the evening service at the Asbury Methodist Church. Regular services will be held this morning. Rev. A. C. Berryman will occupy the pulpit at the morning services and Rev. R. M. White will preach to-night in Decatur Street Methodist Church.

"Prohibition Day" will be observed in Stockholms Church, Sunday School, and an interesting program has been arranged, consisting of hymns, recitations and addresses appropriate to the occasion. Davis Bottom, president of the Baptist Sunday School Association of Richmond and vicinity, will be the speaker. His subject will be "Prohibition and Its Effect on Virginia."

Landslide Frightens Workmen. Loosened by the recent rains, a mass of earth and stones fell into the excavation being dug for the Fourteenth Street sewer yesterday morning. Several workmen were at work in the place, and they were all being engulfed, but succeeded in scrambling out before the landslide struck. They were badly frightened, however, and it was some time before they could be induced to return to work.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. R. Broad and Miss Fannie Holland, who have been visiting in Boston, are now stopping in Baltimore, where they will spend some time. Mrs. W. B. Lipscomb will return home from a visit to her sister, where she has been visiting her sister.

Miss Ida C. Moody, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is the guest of friends. Mrs. Royal Fendley and John Sandifer are visiting in New York and Philadelphia.

Miss Tommy Lamar Graham and Thelma Christine Kirby have returned to their home in Abingdon, Va., after a two months' visit at the home of Mrs. R. H. McMahon. Miss Graham will teach in the Abingdon High School.

A. J. Daffron, Jr., has left for Belmont Abbey, N. C., where he will attend school.

INCLEMENT WEATHER GETS

BEST OF TRAPSHOOTERS

West End Gun Club Members Make Poor Scores on Account of Rain and

The shooting conditions at the West End trap last week, both Wednesday and yesterday, were the worst experienced this season. Wednesday a high southwest wind, and yesterday a high wind, the rain came down in a steady downpour. Only those who were exceedingly anxious to shoot were out, and by the poor scores turned in for the week they are anything but pleased with the results.

Many of the best men in the different clubs have been disappointed in the prospects for a good monthly average showing. Two experts, John E. Avery, of Atlanta, Ga., and N. C. Anderson, of Richmond, reached the 50 per cent. average, which was a record for the month under the conditions. The scores:

Shot at Avery. Broke

PETERSBURG

LOCAL OPTION MEETING

UNEXPECTEDLY LARGE

Prominent Citizens of Petersburg Make Speeches on Vital Issues Before People.

FULLY 1,500 IN ATTENDANCE

District Baptist Association to Convene in Regular Session in Prince George County on Tuesday—Death of Young Woman.

PETERSBURG, Va., September 12.—The local option or local self-revocation meeting at the Academy of Music last night was unexpectedly large. Notwithstanding the rain, the building was packed from the stage to the back of the galleries, and all standing room was occupied. Those present were all men and voters—fully 1,500 of them—and the speakers were all citizens of Petersburg, prominent in the business and professional affairs of the city.

Alexander Hamilton, former Senator Charles T. Lassiter, D. H. Wilcox and Captain A. T. Patterson. The discussion of the vital issue which the people of Virginia are to decide at the polls on September 22, and of what is involved in State-wide prohibition, was calm, dispassionate and argumentative. Petersburg, it is confidently predicted, will give a majority of between 400 and 500 in favor of local option, and the Fourth Congressional District, it is claimed, will also vote against State-wide prohibition.

District Association.

The Petersburg District Baptist Association will convene in regular session on Tuesday next at Shiloh Church in Prince George County, near Carson. The association is composed of churches represented by their ministers and lay delegates, and matters of interest in connection with the churches of the district will be considered. On Wednesday.

Personal and Otherwise.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Campbell, of Potomac, Wm., announce the marriage on Thursday, September 10, of their daughter, Genevieve, to Samuel Marvin Pearce, of Petersburg. Mr. and Mrs. Pearce will be at home in this city after September 25.

All of the public schools in this city—white and colored—are full and some of them are overcrowded. The school board will make arrangements for the proper accommodation of all pupils as quickly as possible. The school board will take no definite action to enforce the compulsory education law, but it is hoped that the parents will be induced to send their children to school.

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Evangelistic Campaign.

The concerted two weeks' evangelistic campaign of the Baptist Church in this city and Patrick, which is expected to result in a great moral and spiritual uplift in the community, will be formally opened to-morrow, to be conducted by Evangelists assigned by the Southern Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Services are to be held every morning in the First Church, and every evening in each of the other churches, with noon day services in one or more of the large factories.

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